

REMARKS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections set forth in the Office action dated March 27, 2007 are respectfully requested. Applicants thank the Examiner for an indication that claims 16, 18, and 30 would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claim.

I. Amendments

Claims 16 and 18 are amended to independent form.

Claims 1-2, 4-6, 8-9, and 12-14 are canceled without prejudice. Applicant reserves the right to pursue the canceled subject matter in a continuing application.

New claims 33-42 find basis in the claims as originally filed.

No new matter has been added by way of these amendments.

II. Rejection under 35 U.S.C. §102

Claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11, 12, 13, 14, 23, and 26 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly anticipated by Fong *et al.* (U.S. Patent No. 6,051,428).

In order to expedite prosecution, claims 1, 2, 5, 6, 8, 9, 11-14, 23, and 26 are canceled. Applicant reserves the right to pursue this subject matter in a continuing application and make remarks at that time.

Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the rejections under 35 U.S.C. §102.

Applicant respectfully submits that the claims now pending are in condition for allowance. Therefore, a Notice of Allowance is respectfully requested.

If in the opinion of the Examiner a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of the subject application, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned at (650) 838-4410.

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